



## SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays 8:30AM (FMI: Virginia Lee)

Holy Rosary: 30 minutes before every Holy Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:15-5:45PM/Thursday 4:30-5:30PM during Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 4:00-5:45 PM concluding with Benediction

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

Baptism: Class Required/Darve Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com)

Marriage: Meet with Pastor six months in advance to set date.

Marriage Prep required/Darve & Karen Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com)

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 6, 2015

Saturday Sept. 5	8:00AM	† Margaret Wolf
	4:00PM	<i>Bazaar Workers' Mass (Come in your work clothes)</i>
	6:00PM	† Carmen Razo; † Vince Marek; † Margie Hajda; † Joseph & Donna Poplawski
Sunday Sept. 6	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday Sept. 8	8:00 AM	† Henry & Angeline Dillard; † John & Edith Kurtin
Wed Sept. 9	6:00 PM	† August Motloch, Sr./ † Alfred Vrana
Thurs Sept. 10	10:00AM	Granger Villa: † Delvin Huser
	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	† Johnny Michalek
Friday Sept. 11	8:00AM	† George Joe Simcik; † Henry V. Marek (A)
Saturday Sept. 12	6:00PM	† Agnes Stojanik; † Isabelle Cameron; † Joe & Viola Sevcik; † Jannie Prcin
Sunday Sept. 13	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

*We pray for Healing:* Alyssa Martinez, John Hernandez, III, Arthur Palla, Danny Stefek, Sr., Mary Labaj, Ann Thompson, Alice Hajda, Heidi Ehrhardt, Edwin Matysek, Anton Sladeczek, Nina Ash, Curtis Ging, Bernice Vrabel, Roselle Fischler, Minnie Perez, Josh Hughes, Ann Pease, Larry Maresh, Bennie Bartosh, Deacon John Thornton, Nicole Geil, Alice Taisler, Joseph Campos, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana.

(New list begins September 13/Please call the office if your loved one needs to remain on the list.)

We pray for the repose of the souls of Agnes Motloch and Effie Pekar Skrhak. May they rest in peace.

Welcome to our faith community: Owen Richard Wiegand baptized last weekend.

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Offering: Sunday: \$3,912.00      Children: \$12.00      Bazaar: \$340.00      Thank you for your support!

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#### Liturgical Ministers September 12-13

Saturday 6PM Lector: Debra Cavanaugh/Kate Strmiska Servers: Colton & Colby Marek, Garret Repa  
Music: Volunteer EMHC: Doc Pekar, Terry Pekar, George & Kate Strmiska

Sunday 10AM Lector: Ellen Wolf/Patsy Polasek Servers: Albert Martinez, Sarah Arellano  
Music: Kathy Janke EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Jolene Volek, Frankie & Shirley Volek

Route EMHC: Carolyn Kaderka, Marilyn Gaydos, Mary Pavlat, Bill Pavlat

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Bernice Jezisek

**Flowers:** (Main Front) In honor of Richard Joseph Steffek on his 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday September 7<sup>th</sup> from his family.

#### *Calendar of Events*

Sunday Sept. 6 : 11AM Parish Bazaar

Monday Sept. 7 : 7PM KC meeting (Hall)/NO YOGA Labor Day

Wednesday Sept. 9 : 7PM Religious Education

Sunday Sept. 13 : 11AM Youth Ministry Bingo Kitchen/Baptism Class following 10AM Mass

### *Parish*

**Thank you to everyone** for your hard work and dedication for our Parish Bazaar. Thank you to all our visitors this weekend, we hope you have a wonderful time while you are here and a safe return to your homes.

**Special collection** next weekend is for our Parish Building and Maintenance Fund.

### *Religious Education & Youth Ministry*

**Religious Education has begun.** We have been blessed with over 100 children and many teachers and aides. But we are in need of an 8th grade teacher and a teacher's aide for 1st grade. Please prayerfully consider this important ministry. For more information or to volunteer please contact Virginia at [sscmre@gmail.com](mailto:sscmre@gmail.com) or call 512-859-2634.

### *Area Events*

**Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill** invites you to their annual Bazaar on Sunday, September 20. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. and followed by a great meal and full day of fun for the whole family! BBQ & Fried Chicken dinner: \$10/adults and \$5/children; served from 11:00 - 1:00. Drive-thru available. Live polka music, live & silent auctions, raffle, children's games & bingo. Hamburgers sold at 2:30.

### *GRANGER COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY AND HOPE NEWSLETTER August 2015*

Families Served – 66

Cash Donations received for Food Pantry = \$1025.00 TOTAL

SSCM - \$675.00 & 184 pounds of food and 115 pounds of corn meal    Granger Pit Stop - \$50.00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - \$300.00    Brethren Church – 30 pounds of food    The Red and White Grocery – Thank YOU!

What Can You Do? THE PANTRY IS EMPTY. Your donations are appreciated!

Next Food Pantry is September 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 4:30. Please deliver your donations to the church or the parish office no later than noon the day before.

HOPE (Healthy Options for the Elderly 55 and older) was distributed at the SSCM Parish Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, August 11. Four volunteers assisted with handing out food for 23 families. Eight home deliveries were made. Next HOPE distribution will be on September 8th, 2015 from 1-3 pm at the SSCM Parish Hall.

### *ROAR II Progress Report*

We are 71% of the way there! Get those pledges in today!

Please continue to pray for the success of our Church Restoration. A huge thank you goes to all who have made their pledges. Remember no amount is too small or too large when it comes from the heart.

Our Goal is \$150,000 which will replace our pews, carpet and cover any incidentals that may occur.

Thank you to 74 parish families who have answered the call. May God bless you abundantly.

You may drop your pledge/payments in the collection basket.

Pledged: \$79,915.00 [Paid as of August 21, 2015: \$46,580.00] 36 Pledges Paid in Full

Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30    Memorials and Donations: \$6,145.00

\$150,000-107,225.30=\$42,774.70 needed to reach our goal

### *Message from Our Pastor*

It is by the spoken word that Jesus heals a man who cannot speak properly. And, as in most of Jesus' miracles, words are accompanied by his personal touch. So too the sacraments of the Church combine spoken prayers and personal touch to convey spiritual healing or nourishment.

EXEGESIS:

Jesus takes an unusually roundabout route from Tyre to the Decapolis in Galilee (Northern Israel). This could be Mark's indication to his audience that the young Church, at the time of his writing, must also be missionary. Jesus has had more success preaching and healing in Galilee, so the crowd brings a handicapped man to Him. The Greek words used indicate that the man is partially, not completely, deaf and mute. Jesus looks to heaven and "groans" (actually "cries with compassion") while performing a brief ritual on him, then heals him with a brief command. (Jesus' posture and words here are similar to those He will use when crying and praying over his dead friend, Lazarus.) A sense of quality and completeness for the miracle (a real one, not merely magic) is indicated by the verses. Because the crowds have been interested primarily in his healing power and not sufficiently attentive to his teachings, He orders the people not to keep talking about only his miracles, but they do not obey Him.